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TOMITA et al.

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For: **INTERCONNECTING STRUCTURE
WITH DUMMY VIAS**

**PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

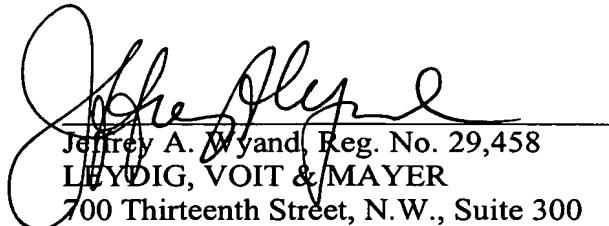
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a), the undersigned attorney, on behalf of applicant(s), hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time to and including September 27, 2006, to file a response to the Office Action of June 27, 2006, which carried an original response date of August 27, 2006. A continuation patent application is being filed.

The fee of \$120.00 for the one-month extension should be charged to Deposit Account No. 12-1216. Any additional fee which may be due or any other charges in connection with the submission of this response should also be charged to the Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this communication is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,



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